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EPA Expert to Discuss Groundwater Cleanup Technology Public Invited

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE – The former Memphis Depot invites the public to attend a Community Information Session to learn more about Zero-Valent Iron (ZVI), one of the technologies being used to treat environmental impacts at the Depot. The meeting will start at 6 p.m. on February 24, 2005 at the South Memphis Senior Citizens Center, 1620 Marjorie Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

The Depot has invited a special guest speaker, Dr. Ralph Ludwig, to describe how ZVI technology works, and provide examples of other sites where the technology has been used successfully. Dr. Ludwig has a Ph.D. in environmental engineering from McGill University, Canada. He is a senior scientist with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development Applied Research and Technology Support Branch at the Ground Water and Ecosystems Restoration Division (GWERD) in Ada, Oklahoma.

ZVI technology has been used since the early 1990s to treat groundwater impacted by chlorinated volatile organic compounds (CVOCs). It was approved for use at the Depot by the EPA and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) in the Dunn Field Record of Decision (ROD). Representatives of the Depot's environmental contractors will be present to answer questions about how ZVI technology is being used to treat groundwater at Dunn Field.

The Dunn Field ROD and the Main Installation ROD are available for public review in the Depot's Information Repositories located at the Cherokee Branch Library, Memphis/Shelby County Health Department, and the Memphis Depot Community Outreach Room.

For more information, contact the Depot's Community Relations Office at (901) 774-3683 or contact Jackie Noble, Command Affairs Officer, at (717) 770-6223.

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